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In re Patent Application of:  
Akihiro Ohashi et al.

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For: POLYLACTIC ACID RESIN ARTICLE  
COMPRISING GRAINS OF METAL-  
HYDROXIDE PARTICLES

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Examiner: J. W. Taylor

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-6,  
please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.